GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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INCREASE IN WHEELING CHARGES
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that wheeling charges of power in Andhra Pradesh have been increased by APTRANSCO and subsequently Ferro Alloys Companies have closed their factories in protest against this increase;

(b) if so, whether uniform wheeling charges are being levied in the States;

(c) if not, whether the Union Government have received any requests for reduction in the wheeling charges;

(d) if so, whether any guidelines have been issued by the Union Government to protect the Ferro Alloys Units in Andhra Pradesh; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (e) : In accordance with the orders of the Andhra Pradesh ElectricityRegulatory Commission (APERC), the wheeling charges for power have been increased by APTRANSCO.Charges for intra-State wheeling vary from State to State.M/s. V.B.C. Ferro Alloys has represented that due to steep increase in wheeling charges many Ferro alloy units have closed their operation in Andhra Pradesh.

The charges for intra State wheeling are decided by the State ElectricityRegulatory Commission (wherever constituted)/State Government.